

**DECLARATION (37 CFR 1.63) FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION USING AN APPLICATION DATA SHEET (37 CFR 1.76)**

Title Of Invention:

Docket No.

**X-967 US**

**METHOD OF GENERATING AN IC MASK USING A REDUCED DATABASE**

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This declaration is directed to:

- The attached application, or  
 Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_.  
 as amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable);

I/We believe I/We am/are the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought;

I/We have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;

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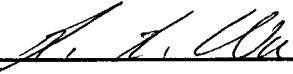
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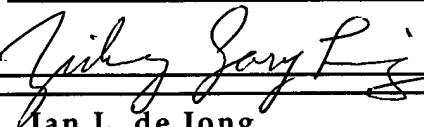
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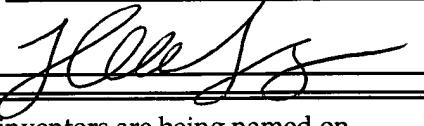
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